



Malaysia Airlines returns to Queensland skies

Travellers to Queensland's capital will soon be able to fly from Kuala Lumpur, opening up more opportunities for Asian and European travellers to choose Brisbane as their primary entry point to Australia. The move is expected to inject more than \$98 million into the state's economy over the next three years, cementing the importance of the Malaysian tourism market. Tickets are now on sale for flights later this year.

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Australia's Nature Coast to shine in Germany

With temperatures falling below 5 degrees in the Northern Hemisphere (brrr!!), now is the perfect time to entice German travellers to savour a Queensland summer. A new 20-page supplement will be distributed in leading German travel magazine, 'Reise and Preise', spruiking the world-class natural attractions on offer on the Sunshine and Fraser Coasts, which offer experiences like nowhere else on earth.

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A blueprint for our Reef

The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GRMPA) has released a Reef Blueprint with the 10 most promising initiatives to protect the reef and build resilience. The blueprint signals the actions GBRMPA will take with its partners.

[Find out more](#)



Outback going strong

Outback tourism continues to go from strength to strength, according to the latest Tourism Research Australia figures. Major events are helping to draw more visitors, who spent more money in the region than ever before.

[Read the full story](#)



Need some funding help?

Make your 2018 New Year's resolution to make the most of available grant funding to realise your tourism dream. Our handy TEQ Grants Guide will guide you through every step of the process to help you write a winning application.

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Industry Opportunities

Last chance to register | Korean ITO dinner
Sydney, 15 January
For more information, email [Emma Hanson](#)

[Be My Guest](#) | Get Commonwealth Games ready
with this frontline staff training
Mega Event, Gold Coast, 7 February
Workshops, Cairns, 26-28 February
Workshops, Townsville, 5-7 March

[Destination Australia Conference 2018](#)
Melbourne, 15 March

TEQ career opportunities:

- [Advisor International Eastern Markets](#) -
Applications close 14 January
- [Accounts Assistant](#) -
Applications close 17 January

Vale Tom Lockie

Tourism and Events Queensland is saddened by the passing of Western Queensland tourism industry figure Tom Lockie. Mr Lockie was the instigator of Artesian Country Tours and a passionate advocate for the goat industry. He also worked across the cane, sheep and cattle industries, was a rodeo champion, bush poet and entertainer.

Quick snippets

- Queen's Baton welcomed to Palm Island
- Tourism Research Australia releases latest international and domestic statistics
- Queensland Rail's advice to assist event organisers minimise the impact of track closures

EVENTS

IT'S LIVE!
in Queensland

WHITSUNDAY
CLIPPER RACE
CARNIVAL
Airlie Beach
13-30 January 2018

SECOND ONE DAY
INTERNATIONAL -
AUSTRALIA V
ENGLAND
Brisbane
19 January 2018



BURLEIGH PRO
Gold Coast
25-28 January 2018

NOOSA SUMMER
SWIM FESTIVAL
Sunshine Coast
3-4 February 2018

AGNES BLUES,
ROOTS & ROCK
FESTIVAL
Gladstone
16-18 February 2018

STANTHROPHE
APPLE & GRAPE
HARVEST FESTIVAL
**Southern
Queensland
Country**
23 February-4 March
2018

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